

**Appendix table 3-17. Percentage of full-time full-year science and engineering graduate students who received various forms of financial support, by race/ethnicity: 1996  
[U.S. citizens and permanent residents only]**

Race/ethnicity	Any aid	Loans	Grants	Research assistantship	Teaching assistantship
Total... ..	82.8	33.4	51.6	15.7	20.3
White, non-Hispanic... ..	87.5	35.6	50.6	13.0	18.6
Asian/Pacific Islander... ..	72.0	21.2	49.9	33.9	41.7
Underrepresented minority <sup>1</sup> .....	74.1	42.7	62.1	18.7	10.9

<sup>1</sup> Underrepresented minority includes American Indian/Alaskan Native; black, non-Hispanic; and Hispanic.

**SOURCE:** U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, 1995–96 National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS:96), in National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Studies, *Financial Aid Profile of Graduate Students in Science and Engineering* (forthcoming).